

## DIRECTION 107

CORRECTION OF AUTHOR AND DATE FOR LORIIDAE (AVES)  
(OFFICIAL LIST OF FAMILY-GROUP NAMES IN ZOOLOGY  
NAME NUMBER 457)

**RULING.**—It is hereby directed that entry No. 457 placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology by the Ruling given in Opinion 938 is to be amended to read as follows:

LORIIDAE (correction of LORIANA and LORIANAE) Selby, 1836, *Parrots*, in *Naturalist's Library, Ornithology*, 6 : 57, 141, 142 (type-genus *Lorius* Vigors, 1825) (Class Aves).

## HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 2022)

An application from Dr. G. N. Kashin (*Moscow*) concerning the author and date of the family-group name LORIIDAE was received on 11 October 1972. It was sent to the printer on 29 January 1973 and published on 6 July 1973 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 30 : 57. No comment was received.

## DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 8 November 1974 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (74)25 for or against Dr. Kashin's proposals. At the close of the Voting Period on 8 February 1975 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—seventeen (17), received in the following order: Melville, Vokes, Holthuis, Alvarado, Willink, Eisenmann, Rohdendorf, Mayr, Sabrosky, Tortonese, Dupuis, Starobogatov, Corliss, Bayer, Nye, Ride, Bernardi

Negative votes—five (5), received in the following order: Lemche, Simpson, Binder, Heppell, Habe

Late Affirmative vote—one (1): Erben

Leave of Absence—one (1): Brinck

Voting Papers not returned—two (2): Kraus, Munroe.

The following comments were sent in by members of the Commission with their Voting Papers:

*Dr. Holthuis:* The author of the proposal asked for addition of the name LORIIDAE Selby, 1836, to the Official List, but only author and date of the name LORIIDAE as at present on the List should be corrected. [This comment has been taken into account in drafting the present Direction. R.V.M.J.]

*Dr. Lemche:* To accept such unimportant corrections to the Official List will in the long run completely destroy all confidence in the authority of the Lists.

*Dr. G. G. Simpson:* The provisions regarding priority of family-group names in the present Code are such that it is highly probable that hundreds of such names in current use may eventually prove to be antedated in some form or another. The only possible way to ensure stability of such names is to avoid

changing those officially listed for any but impelling reasons that would promote stability, not upset it as in this case.

*M. Dupuis*: Môme commentaires que dans le cas Z.N.(S.) 1958, DREPANIDAE (see Opinion 1046).

*Dr. Heppell*: I do not believe this sort of case should require formal publication and voting by the Commission. If an entry on the Official List is incorrect there must be provision for its automatic correction. In any case, the use of LORIIDAE Selby is not prevented by the prior occurrence of LORIIDAE Swainson on the Official List.

*Dr. Habe*: In view of the general feeling that the Official List be kept intact as much as possible, I am not inclined to support Dr. Kashin's proposal for amendment of Opinion 938.

#### ORIGINAL REFERENCE

The following is the original reference for the corrected entry in the Official List affected by the Ruling given in the present Direction:

LORIIDAE (as LORIANA and LORIANAE) Selby, 1836, *Parrots*, in Naturalist's Library, Ornithology 6 : 57, 141, 142

#### CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (74)25 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Direction No. 107.

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*Secretary*

*International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature*

*London*

*23 September 1975*